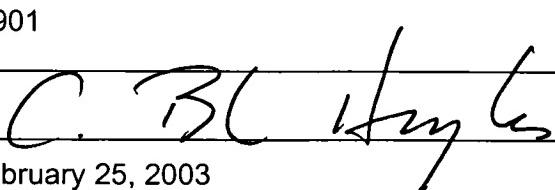


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

<p>ADDRESS TO:</p> <p>Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231</p>	<p>Attorney Docket No.: 99,423-S</p> <p>Application No.: 10/018,446</p> <p>Filing Date: April 12, 2002</p> <p>First Named Inventor: Zablocki et al.</p> <p>Group Art Unit: 1623</p> <p>Examiner: Crane</p>																					
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